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Erie Boulevard Hydropower, L.P.;

Notice of Application Accepted for Filing, Soliciting Motions to Intervene and Protests, Ready for Environmental Analysis, and Soliciting Comments, Recommendations, Preliminary Terms and Conditions, and Preliminary Fishway Prescriptions

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection.

- a. Type of Application: Subsequent License.
- b. Project No.: 7518-015.
- c. Date Filed: September 30, 2013.
- d. Applicant: Erie Boulevard Hydropower, L.P.
- e. Name of Project: Hogansburg Hydroelectric Project.
- f. Location: On the St. Regis River in Franklin County, New York. The project does not occupy any federal lands.
- g. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act, 16 USC 791 (a)-825(r).
- h. Applicant Contact: Steven Murphy, Licensing Manager, Erie Boulevard Hydropower, L.P., 33 West 1st Street South, Fulton, New York, 13069, (315) 598-6130 or email at steven.murphy@brookfieldpower.com.
- i. FERC Contact: John Mudre at (202) 502-8902 or e-mail at john.mudre@ferc.gov.
- j. Deadline for filing motions to intervene and protests, comments, recommendations, preliminary terms and conditions, and preliminary prescriptions: 60 days from the issuance date of this notice; reply comments are due 105 days from the issuance date of this notice.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file motions to

intervene, protests, comments, recommendations, preliminary terms and conditions, and preliminary fishway prescriptions using the Commission's eFiling system at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426. The first page of any filing should include docket number **P-7518-015.**

The Commission's Rules of Practice require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person on the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervenor files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency.

- k. This application has been accepted for filing and is now ready for environmental analysis.
- l. Project Description: The existing Hogansburg Project consists of: (1) A reservoir having a surface area of about 18.6 acres and a maximum storage capacity of approximately 112 acre-feet; (2) a 247-foot-long, 11.5-foot-high concrete gravity dam with a spillway crest elevation of 165.2 feet above mean sea level; (3) a 34-foot-long, 22-foot-high stoplog gate structure; (4) a 45-foot by 48-foot integrated intake/powerhouse structure at the dam's right abutment; (5) a single S. Morgan Smith vertical propeller generating unit having a rated capacity of 485 kilowatts; (6) a 600-foot-long tailrace having varying widths between 24 feet and 100 feet; and (7) 2.4-kilovolt (kV) generator leads extending about 25 feet to an adjacent electrical substation containing a 2.4/4.8-kV, 600-kilovolt-amperes, step-up transformer bank. A transmission line owned and operated by National Grid Corporation connects directly to the substation. Power generated at the project interconnects with the electrical grid at the substation.

At the time the Commission issued the original license for the Hogansburg Project (1985), the Commission's regulations did not require minor projects occupying non-federal lands to have an established project boundary. Therefore, the boundary for the project is being established through this relicensing process.

m. A copy of the application is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's website at http://www.ferc.gov using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the

docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

Register online at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

n. Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, and .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

All filings must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "PROTEST", "MOTION TO INTERVENE", "COMMENTS," "REPLY COMMENTS," "RECOMMENDATIONS," "PRELIMINARY TERMS AND CONDITIONS," or "PRELIMINARY FISHWAY PRESCRIPTIONS;" (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, recommendations, terms and conditions or prescriptions must set forth their evidentiary basis and otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 4.34(b). Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. A copy of any protest or motion to intervene must be served upon each representative of the applicant specified in the particular application. A copy of all other filings in reference to this application must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed in the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 4.34(b) and 385.2010.

o. Procedural Schedule:

The application will be processed according to the following revised Hydro Licensing Schedule. Revisions to the schedule may be made as appropriate.

MILESTONE TARGET DATE

Filing of recommendations, preliminary January 2014

terms and conditions, and preliminary

fishway prescriptions

Commission issues Draft EA

Comments on Draft EA

Modified Terms and Conditions

Commission Issues Final EA

July 2014

August 2014

October 2014

January 2015

- p. Final amendments to the application must be filed with the Commission no later than 30 days from the issuance date of this notice.
- q. A license applicant must file no later than 60 days following the date of issuance of the notice of acceptance and ready for environmental analysis provided for in 5.22:
- (1) A copy of the water quality certification; (2) a copy of the request for certification, including proof of the date on which the certifying agency received the request; or (3) evidence of waiver of water quality certification.

Dated: November 19, 2013.

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary.

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